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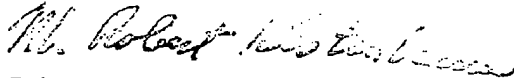
NOTES/COMMENTS:

Dear Examiner Goff:

I am faxing you the proposed Amendment to claim 1, which we discussed earlier.

Thank you in advance for responding to this submission.

Sincerely,

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Proposed Amendment

Dear Examiner Goff:

Thank you for agreeing to consider the following amended claim 1.

In numbered paragraph 11 of the Office Action of October 26, 2004, the Examiner states that Applicant's claims do not require any further processing steps or that further processing be performed.

The amended process claim 1 calls for a process for producing a laminate as an intermediate product that is not a final product.

The process for producing a laminate according to this proposed amended claim 1 clearly shows that the produced laminate is an intermediate product for further processing steps of a forgery-proofed document. Therefore, the claimed process is not comparable with the forgery-proofed document described by Neuhaus.

The proposed amended process claim 1 is as follows:

1. (Proposed Amendment) Process for producing a laminate (16), comprising at least one polymer film with information and at least one substrate, which laminate is applied after processing the laminate to an information carrier of a forgery-proof document

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before welding films on the information carrier [for further processing for forgery-proof documents,]

in which a film (24), comprises at least one polymer film (17) with supporting films (23) arranged at least on both sides, is fed to a first processing station (31), and, in the first processing station (31), at least one supporting film (23) is delaminated on a first side of the polymer film (17), after which at least one substrate (18) is laminated on by an adhesive and subsequently exposed to a crosslinking-active UV radiation and

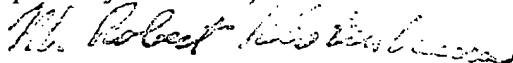
in which a laminate (44) comprising at least one polymer film (17), at least one supporting film (23) on one side, and at least one substrate (18) on the other side of the polymer film (17) led out from the first processing station (31) is fed to a second processing station (51), and at least one supporting film (23) on the other side of the at least one polymer film (17) is delaminated of the laminate (44), and at least one substrate (19) is laminated on the other side to the at least one polymer film (17) by an adhesive and subsequently exposed to a crosslinking-active UV radiation.

Please contact me when you have had an opportunity to review this proposed

Amendment to claim 1, so that we may discuss its acceptability to you.

Thank you, again, for taking the time to review this communication.

Respectfully Submitted,



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